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BY ECF

Honorable Lorna G. Schofield United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Re: Rosario v. City of New York, et al.,

18 Civ. 4023 (LGS)

Your Honor:

I am one of the attorneys assigned to represent the defendants in this action. Defendants write to respectfully request an adjournment of the trial of this matter presently scheduled to begin on January 25, 2022. Defendants have advised plaintiff's counsel of their intention to make this request.

This request is made due to medical issues that have arisen with one of the individual defendants and defense counsel. Briefly, one of the individual defendants has a severe, urgent medical issue that will render him unavailable during the trial period. Additionally, the defense team has been impacted by a COVID-19 case such that it will be impossible to adequately prepare the defense for trial. In accordance with the Court's January 13th Order (ECF No. 364) and in accordance with the Court's Individual Rules of Practice, defendants have submitted the details of these issues in a letter to the Court via email on an *ex parte* basis.

Accordingly, and regrettably, defendants have no choice but to request an adjournment of the trial at this time. Defendants thank the Court for its time and attention, and are available at the Court's convenience to discuss any of the matters addressed herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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<u>VIA ECF</u> <u>All Counsel of Record</u>